



Sheikh Mujibur Rahman is engulfed by flowers and well-wishers as he arrives at Dacca Airport yesterday. (AP radiophoto)

## Tension rising in the North

By ZEEV SCHUL  
 Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent  
 TEL AVIV. — Military circles here yesterday took a serious view of the increased tension along Israel's northern frontier. The recent spate of incidents is seen as a pointer to the determination of the terrorists to make a comeback regardless of the consequences. The latest reported incident was of shells fired at Kibbutz Manara in Upper Galilee from across the Lebanese border.

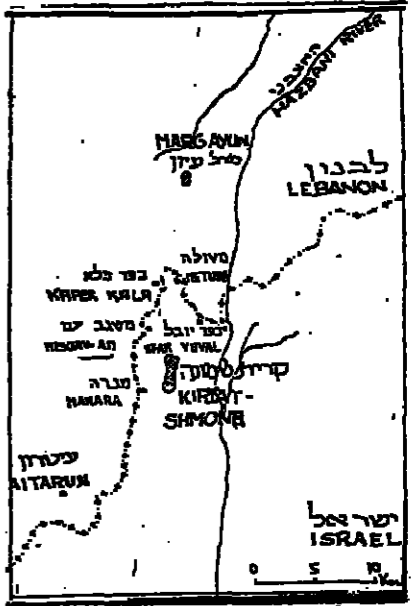
Apert from this week's close-spaced series of incidents, last week's total of 11 clashes was almost double that of the week before. The tally included five incidents reported from the Syrian frontier, including the murder of the young civilian Defence Ministry employee.

The attempted bombardment of Safad, the basooka volley on Manara, the two grenade incidents inside Israel and the parcel bombs point to a serious effort by the terrorists to act in face of the passivity of the Arab states, notably Egypt.

Fatah leader Arafat was recently reported to have toured the southern Lebanese frontier including Fatahland.

The purpose of the revival of terrorism seems transparently aimed at goading Israel into reprisals against the terrorist bases in the neighbouring countries. The gang leaders may entertain hopes that this will trigger off a chain reaction similar to that of 1966, which was also touched off by *yedoyens* activity.

The basooka shells fired at Kibbutz Manara on Sunday night all missed their targets and exploded harmlessly. The three terrorists who were



near Moshav Dalton near Safad. The launchers were of the 130 mm. type, as used in the Safad bombardment.

The three Katyusha firing tubes were discovered on Sunday morning by a 14-year-old shepherd near the village while grazing his flock of 120, half a kilometre north of the village entrance, on a slope of a plateau overlooking Safad. The shepherd informed his parents of the find when he brought his flock home in the evening. The village committee informed the security services yesterday morning.

The firing tubes had been fitted with clocks for delayed action and a set of batteries to set off the shells. One of the clocks discovered was about the size of a telephone dial, painted red, of British manufacture. A Dalton farmer, Menachem Teshuva, told *The Post* that he had also found a satchel and a sponge at the site.

The Foreign Ministry was last night expected to submit an urgent letter to the Security Council warning of the deteriorating situation on the Lebanese border resulting from the sharp rise in terrorist attacks from Lebanon.

## FATAHLAND AGAIN

ON the heels of the marked de-escalation in the war of nerves conducted until recently by President Sadat, Yasser Arafat has chosen to reactivate the war on the relatively tranquil northern borders of Israel. The past week there were a number of serious incidents involving the brutal murder of a villan on the slopes of the Galilee Heights and the firing of Katyusha rockets at Safad, Iron and Manara.

Israel did not require these attacks to be reminded of the existence of the saboteurs in northern Lebanon, a territory which has in the past served as a base of operations against civilian targets, among them children in a school bus, in northern Galilee and the Golan Heights. On a number of occasions the army subsequently penetrated what became known as "Fatahland" and wiped out terrorist nests. In the last three years reported operations against the Saboteurs-Syrian line, but it is clear that the Saboteurs in Lebanon would not stop the firing of missiles or shooting from across the border.

Renewed terrorist activity was predicted by Fatah spokesmen in a recent week. It was obvious that following the suppression of the various organizations by the Jordanian Government, and the limitations placed on their operations by the cautious Damascus regime, they were liable to embark on operations from Lebanon where they control a large slice of territory which is entered by the most forces of the Lebanese army.

As in the past, Israel holds the government of Beirut whose saboteurs operate against her responsible for their acts. Jordan and Syria learned this the hard way from 1968 to 1970, and seem to have taken the lesson to heart. Lebanon, too, was given ample opportunity to rid herself of the growing threat of a "Fatahland."

But in the absence of any real demonstration of Lebanese determination to control the Palestinian militants, Israel may be forced into action again in order to restore quiet and security in this sector. This may lead to deep penetration into Lebanese territory to uproot the terrorist bases and concentrations, destroy their ammunition dumps and block their supply routes from Syria. It seems that limited action near the Lebanese border itself has had little impact and what is called for are more elaborate and unorthodox measures.

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## Guerrillas damage B-52s in raid on Thailand base

BANGKOK. — Three American B-52 bombers were damaged early yesterday in a daring guerrilla attack on the huge U.S. air base at U-Tapao in southeast Thailand, provincial sources said.

The attack was the first on U-Tapao and the fourth on American air bases in Thailand in three months. Informed sources said the attackers wounded seven militiamen defenders with rifle fire while the sappers threw a plastic charge at administrative offices in a hamlet about 10 kms. west of central Saigon. Blood trails leaving the scene indicated that three of the B-52s were wounded by the defenders.

Waves of U.S. B-52 bombers struck North Vietnamese positions in Laos and Cambodia yesterday. "B-52 operations are normal today," the U.S. Command said after the guerrilla attack on the airbase. (Reuter, AP)

## Wild crowds greet Mujib in Dacca

DACCA. — Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, President of newly-created Bangladesh, made a triumphal return to Dacca yesterday and immediately announced that his country would have no links with Pakistan. He said the old ties between his country and West Pakistan had been snapped for all time.

"You live in peace and let us live in peace," he told West Pakistan at a public meeting here after receiving a delirious welcome from his countrymen. The 51-year-old Bengali leader also declared that he would demand trials under international supervision for those guilty of genocide in the former eastern wing of Pakistan.

Sheikh Mujib was in tears during part of his emotional speech as he addressed an estimated half a million people at Dacca racecourse, where the Pakistani army in the East formally surrendered at the end of the Indo-Pakistan war last month.

"The Pakistanis call us non-Muslims," the Sheikh told the crowd. "Let me tell them that Bangla Desh is the second largest Muslim nation in the world after Indonesia." It has 75 million people, compared to 110 million for Indonesia and 55 million for the remaining portion of Pakistan.

Thousands clambered over fences onto the airport tarmac as the four-engine RAF Comet touched down, 59 hours after the Sheikh had left Rawalpindi.

They screamed the Bangla Desh rallying chant, "Joi Bangla" — Victory of Bengal — as Mujib stepped, arms outstretched, from the aircraft onto the gangplank.

If the airport reception was wild, it was nothing compared to the welcome along the 8-km. route to the racecourse, which took two hours to negotiate through crowds that were 10 deep and more.

His visits to Dacca he had stopped for two hours and fifty minutes in New Delhi, where he lauded Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and hailed India as "the best friend of my people."

Our New Delhi correspondent, Trevor Driberg, cables that the Sheikh's arrival in the Indian capital was the most joyful moment there since independence. The crowds at the airport were the largest seen in years, in a city where hundreds of thousands have turned out to greet world leaders.

"The White House said yesterday that it is considering ways to channel humanitarian aid into South Asia, but is giving no thought to formally recognizing the new government of Bangla Desh.

British government officials reported last night that Britain is moving toward formal recognition of Bangla Desh in a matter of weeks. The British are hopeful, following Prime Minister Edward

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## Rabin, Sisco open talks

By SAM LIPSEK  
 Jerusalem Post Correspondent  
 WASHINGTON. — Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin and Assistant Secretary of State Joseph Sisco began two-tier talks yesterday on diplomacy and military procurement. The talks will deal with the time-table and numbers of Phantom aircraft to be delivered to Israel, and at another level, they will explore the prospects for a beginning of negotiations for an interim settlement.

The Rabin-Sisco meeting marks the first significant diplomatic activity in Washington on the Middle East since the Christmas-New Year holiday. Ambassador Rabin, who returned from Israel Sunday night, was understood to have brought with him a re-assessment of his Government's approach to an interim settlement based on Washington agreement in principle to supply Phantoms and other recent regional and global developments.

Both American and Israeli sources agree that the three main differences between Israel and Egypt over an interim settlement — the relationship between the overall and the interim arrangements, the nature and length of the cease-fire, and the question of troop crossings of the Suez Canal by the Egyptians — still remain much as they were before the American initiative was suspended at the time of the U.N. General Assembly debate in early December.

But there are indications that a basis for compromise exists on the two points besides troop crossings. What kind of Egyptian forces, in what numbers, with what arms, and with what jurisdiction these questions seem to be the main sticking point. State Department officials are waiting with special interest for the return of Dr. Ashraf Ghorbal, the Egyptian diplomatic representative in Washington.

Dr. Ghorbal, who is due to return later this week, is expected to bring a clearer picture of current thinking in Cairo on the attitudes of President Sadat to an interim settlement. American officials, al-

## Jordan stops drive against W. Bank polls

By ANAN SAFADI  
 Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter  
 The Jordanian Government has decided to halt its campaign against the municipal elections in Judea and Samaria recently authorized by the Israeli authorities. The Jerusalem Post reliably learned last night that the Jordanian Government has informed local Arab circles that it no longer intends to intervene in the elections, to be held within the next three months.

The Jordanians originally had come out against these elections. But their attitude has been challenged by a number of factors, including the determination of the Israeli authorities to go ahead and the attitude of the local leadership. The traditional Arab circles argued that as a result of their reluctance to stand for elections, the municipalities would be taken over by younger political radicals.

The Jordanian decision to back down was understood to have been taken on the initiative of King Hussein, who is said to have differed with his Government over what he described as its "hasty decision" to oppose the elections, thus leaving Jordanian sympathizers in the West Bank out of the running.

## Peres: Be courteous at least once a day

By DAVID LENNON  
 Jerusalem Post Reporter  
 "Every citizen should make it a personal rule to defer, or give right of way, at least once a day to another. If people started being more courteous to other road users, it would contribute to improving the situation on our roads," Transport Minister Shimon Peres told the press in Jerusalem yesterday.

The Minister pointed out that the war on road accidents is an extremely expensive business, and additional funds will have to be found to finance this struggle. He said that the Ministry policy will continue to be one of "a war of attrition" rather than any spot-on short-term attempts aimed at reducing the number of accidents.

"I don't believe in deceiving the public with brass declarations or showy campaigns into thinking that the road accident rate can be slashed. On the contrary, the number of accidents and deaths will continue to rise as the number of vehicles on the road rises," he stated.

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## Bulgaria to expel British diplomat

LONDON (Reuter). — Bulgaria has told Britain that the presence of First Secretary Gordon Feast after January 19 was contrary to the interests of the Bulgarian government, a British official said.

Although no reasons were given for the decision, a British Foreign Office spokesman said "the choice of date suggests it is in retaliation for the refusal of the British government to extend beyond January 19 the visa of Mr. Gotssev, the head of Balkantourist in London."

According to the Ministry of Interior, Mr. Gotssev's visa has not been extended for security reasons.

**\$4m. stolen in N.Y. securities theft**  
 NEW YORK (Reuter). — Securities worth \$4 million were stolen from a New York trust company messenger who was walking through New York's financial district yesterday, police said.

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## 'If we had a million...'

"If we had another million Jews in the country, it might put an end to the wars, because the Arabs would be convinced that fighting does not pay," Prime Minister Golda Meir said last night at the opening of the Fourth Congress of the World Hebrew Union at the Hebrew University's Wise Auditorium.

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Social and Personal

The President, Mr. Zalman Shazar, yesterday received the 250 delegates to the Fourth Congress of the World Hebrew Union, which opened in Jerusalem yesterday.

The Executive of the Israel-Swiss Association is giving a reception today under the patronage of the Swiss Ambassador, Mr. Hans Jorg Hess, in honour of Mr. and Mrs. J. Nordman, Chairman of the Swiss-Israel Friendship Association and Deputy Chairman of the Federal Association in Switzerland.

Prince and Princess Louis Napoleon and their daughter Laure yesterday visited the Wizo Arab Women's Centre and Nursery School in Wadi Joz in East Jerusalem.

Professor Modesto Seara Vazquez, director of the International Relations Centre of the National University of Mexico, yesterday visited the Weizmann Institute and met Professor Michael Sela, dean of the Institute's Biology Faculty and head of its Chemical Immunology Department.

The family of the late Professor Emil Adler, founder and head of the Hadassah Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, has presented to the Department in Jerusalem a large medical and general library which he had willed to Hadassah.

Vocal Newspaper on Friday, 8.30 p.m. at Beit Ha'am, Jerusalem: Yosef Klarman, head of the Jewish Agency, Youth Aliya Department, will speak on: "How we will absorb 5,000 youngsters from slum areas", Aharon Cohen, World Chairman of the Young Guard in the N.R.P. on: "Will the forthcoming Zionist Congress be a turning point." Chairman, Yona Cohen.

IN MEMORIAM A memorial service on the 30th day of the passing of Charles Passman, first Director-General of JDC/Malben, will be held on Thursday, at 8 p.m. at Beit Harofe, 1 Rehov Heftman, Tel Aviv.

Indonesian search for plane victims

JAKARTA (AP). — An Indonesian Air Force plane carrying 21 persons on a training flight crashed on Saturday night in a mountainous area near the West Java capital of Bandung. The Air Force announced yesterday.

Air Force commander Agnes Suroto said a rescue party recovered 14 bodies on Sunday near the wreckage of the Douglas C-47 and a search was continuing for the other seven persons who were aboard.

Mr. Suroto said the plane was believed to have exploded over a mountainous area. The plane was on a flight from Jakarta to Tanjung Karang, south Sumatra, and was carrying five navigation instructors, ten trainees and a crew of six.

SENATOR. — U.S. Senator Lloyd M. Benston discussed the Arab-Israel conflict with the Lebanese President and Premier yesterday. Mr. Benston is on a Middle East mission for the Senate Armed Forces Committee.

Humphrey launches campaign

PHILADELPHIA (Reuter). — Senator Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota yesterday declared his candidacy for the Democratic presidential nomination and said he hopes for a second chance to meet Richard Nixon.



HUBERT HUMPHREY

Mr. Humphrey joined the battle for his party's nomination with a declaration that if he had been elected president when he ran four years ago, the U.S. now would be out of the war with Vietnam.

Close ties pledged at France-Saudi meeting

PARIS (Reuter). — France and Saudi Arabia yesterday pledged to step up cooperation in the political, economic and technological fields.

Following this meeting a French official said: "For the past 15 years we had diplomatic ties with Saudi Arabia. Now we have decided to turn these into effective, close relations."



Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister Omar al-Sagqaf at a state lunch given yesterday by French Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann at the Quai d'Orsay.

'Al Ahram' asks Bahrain for truth on U.S. base reports

CAIRO (Reuter). — "Al Ahram" yesterday called on Bahrain to clarify whether or not it had signed a pact with the U.S. allowing it to use the former British naval base there.

part of the base as a station for its small Middle East fleet. The Bahrain Foreign Ministry said on Sunday that there had merely been an exchange of letters between Bahrain and the U.S. on giving refuelling and other normal dock facilities to a U.S. naval vessel.

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ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION TO U.S. RISES SHARPLY
WASHINGTON (Reuter). — Unofficial estimates here show that there are some 10 million illegal immigrants in the U.S. and the number is growing each year.

LEBANESE VISIT. — Lebanese Prime Minister Saeb Salam announced yesterday that he would make an official visit to France on February 2. The three-day visit is aimed at strengthening relations between the two countries, it was stated.

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N. Pacific storm sinks freighter, 42 missing

VANCOUVER (AP). — The African freighter Dona Anita sank in the storm-lashed North Pacific Ocean on Sunday and all 42 persons aboard are feared lost.

The Search and Rescue Centre in Victoria reported on Sunday night that a Canadian air-sea search party had sighted an oil slick, a life ring bearing the ship's name and two empty inflatable life rafts in the area, 193 kms. west of Vancouver Island, from where the stricken vessel reported early Sunday that its engine rooms were flooded and the crew was abandoning ship.

'O. Elizabeth' keels over

HONGKONG (Reuter). — The old trans-Atlantic liner, the Queen Elizabeth, lay on her side in Hongkong harbour yesterday — the fire-gutted wreck of what was once the pride of Britain's merchant marine.

She lay half out of the water, black smoke still pouring out of porpoises and flames licking the inside of cabins. The huge central section of the \$2,898-ton former Cunard liner was twisted grotesquely. Lifeboats and railings hung at crazy angles. Decks had crumpled and the bridge had collapsed.

The Queen Elizabeth, once the world's biggest passenger ship, turned over onto her starboard beam with a final shudder while hundreds of firefighters and harbour officials looked on helplessly.

No one has ventured aboard since Sunday afternoon and the fire department has now decided to let the blaze burn itself out. Authorities are investigating the possibility of arson.

The air and sea search was resumed on Monday, but a spokesman at the Search and Rescue Centre held out little hope of finding survivors.

First word of the marine disaster was received on Sunday morning when the 7,629-ton Dona Anita sent a Mayday distress message, reporting the crew was abandoning ship.

The vessel, bound for Japan from Vancouver with a load of potash, reported her engine room flooded and that she was being battered by 9- to 12-m. waves piled up by hurricane-force winds with gusts exceeding 160 kilometres an hour.

Soviet missile ship in Med.

PARIS (AP). — The Soviet Union has introduced a new type of missile-equipped light destroyer into its Mediterranean fleet, according to the "French Maritime Review."

The magazine, published by the French Navy, said two "Grisha"-type destroyers, built in Black Sea ports, recently entered the Mediterranean. Five or six others are reportedly in service or under construction.

The ships, said to be about 60 metres long and displacing 900 or 1,000 tons, are equipped with short range surface-to-air missiles and anti-submarine charges.

German row may follow forcible boarding of ship

BONN (AP). — The West German Government yesterday watched for signs of an East-West political row over the boarding of an East German ship by Kiel Canal Border Police to free the wife and child of an engineer seeking asylum.

West German border guards rescued the mother and child from the ship on Sunday after the father, a ship's officer, fled ashore and asked for help.

The incident occurred as the motor ship Eichsfeld lay in West German waters in the Kiel-Holtenau canal connecting the Baltic and North Seas. The Eichsfeld's third engineer told the border guards that he had stowed away his wife and child but the captain discovered them and locked them in a cabin.

The West German Interior Ministry said the border guards "used physical force against the captain" in freeing the mother and child, but they "acted with discretion and under exact observance of the legal requirements."

DELAY IN TALKS One possible East German retaliation, observers said, would be to delay negotiations between the two countries on a general traffic agreement scheduled to be resumed on January 20. A government source dismissed as unlikely the possibility that East Germany might respond by hampering traffic through its territory between West Germany and West Berlin which is protected by the four-power agreement on Berlin, although the treaty is not expected to be signed until mid-summer.

NEW YORK (AP). — A 36-year-old Soviet exchange student slit his throat and wrists on Sunday night in a car taking him to an Aeroflot flight to Moscow, a Port Authority spokesman said yesterday.

He went to a hospital, but a Russian official checked him out of the hospital over the objections of doctors who said he needed surgery.

The incident occurred about 7 p.m. according to the Port Authority. The student, Mersab Jurashvili, "slit his throat and wrists, four of whom had diplomatic passports."

On an airport road, Jurashvili cut his throat and both wrists and jumped out of the car. The other Russians pulled him back in.

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GUERRILLAS HIT ARMY force in Colombia BOGOTA, Colombia (AP). — A Lombia Army force was ambushed by guerrillas on Sunday while on search mission. Two soldiers were killed and six injured. It was in this northern Colombian town that the guerrillas shot hostages on Friday after a loot of cash and food.

NEW YORK (AP). — A 36-year-old Soviet exchange student slit his throat and wrists on Sunday night in a car taking him to an Aeroflot flight to Moscow, a Port Authority spokesman said yesterday.

He went to a hospital, but a Russian official checked him out of the hospital over the objections of doctors who said he needed surgery.

The incident occurred about 7 p.m. according to the Port Authority. The student, Mersab Jurashvili, "slit his throat and wrists, four of whom had diplomatic passports."

On an airport road, Jurashvili cut his throat and both wrists and jumped out of the car. The other Russians pulled him back in.

According to a hospital spokesman, treatment had begun but Mr. Jurashvili still needed stitching of his wounds.

The spokesman said that in the hospital the student spoke in Russian to the Soviet officials, the staff doctors could not understand what said, but Jurashvili had appeared to be willing to leave with the Russians.

Nato use of Malta bases 'crux of dispute'

LONDON (Reuter). — Defence Minister Lord Carrington said yesterday that one of the main factors in Britain's dispute with Malta over use of bases there is that Malta is unwilling to let other Nato countries use them.

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Tourist map of Peking on sale

PEKING (Reuter). — For the first time since the end of the cultural revolution in 1969, an English-language map and guide to Peking went on sale yesterday.

The map, the description of Peking and an ideologically correct interpretation of its history are contained in an attractively produced folder bearing the words "Tourist map of Peking."

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'Tass' promoted to Ministry rank

MOSCOW (AP). — The Soviet Union's official news agency, "Tass," has been upgraded in the bureaucratic structure to a state committee and its director given ministerial rank.

The upgrading, announced Monday night in the government newspaper "Izvestia," makes the agency the rough equivalent of a ministry. A "Tass" duty editor later confirmed that the newspaper's director, Leonid Zamyatin, now has the rank of minister.

AVRAM and EDNA ENGEL (nee Michaelson) are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, sister to Shira. Jerusalem, January 6, 1972



Belfast bomb factory found

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (UPI). — British troops seized dozens of suspected members of the Irish Republican Army and discovered a "bomb-making factory" in a series of raids yesterday, security spokesmen said.

The bomb plant was a two-story town Belfast wholesale footwear store, touching off a fire that swept the building. The gunmen gave employees of the store less than a minute to get out.

Tons of rubble and shoes buried cars parked nearby. Firemen fought to keep the flames from reaching the gasoline tanks of nearby garage.

Raiding soldiers found what a spokesman said was evidence of a bomb-making factory and papers in a garage among a number of houses searched in Belfast's Roman Catholic Andersonstown district.

In the garage they found 32 tonometers, timing devices, 19 sn bombs and grenades, two kilos gelignite, a bottle of acid and home-made bazooka rocket, a spokesman said. They also found three walkie-talkie radios, a printing set, empty bank cashes and post office mailbags and licence plates of stolen cars, said.

The soldiers arrested 32 suspects in the Andersonstown sloop, and another search through the Cath. New Lodge area and in Londerry, the army said.

Across the border in the Irish Republic a quarry near Carrmacross in County Monaghan was looted of 200 kgs. of gelignite, tires and used blowtorches open a concrete blockhouse.

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British coal strikers expected to last at least a month

LONDON (AP). — Britain's national coal miners' strike is expected to last at least a month, government sources on Monday.

The 280,000 miners walked out of the pits at midnight on day in what was seen as the major confrontation with the government this year over its mination to hold pay settle to a maximum of 8 per cent.

Stockpiled coal supplies are sufficient to meet industry's fuel up to nine weeks in some but government sources have ed that the fuel for households will be rationed if a long and battle with the miners develop.

How long the miners will out will probably depend on the come of meetings of leaders c talia's major unions who met to decide how much help the give the strikers.

The miners demanded pay ranging up to 47 per cent on salaries for face workers o a week.

Britain's pool die young

LONDON (AP). — Poor pool Britain have a 67 per cent chance of dying early than rich. The gap is getting wider.

Dr. Julian Tudor Hart of Talbot, Wales, gave the figure Sunday to the British Society Social Responsibility in Science London meeting.

Studies by the Registrar eral in 1971 showed unskilled workers, the unemployed and their miffes had a 43 per cent gre chance of dying earlier than average Briton. The rich had 1 per longer than the average.

Thirty years before that, Tudor Hart said, the rich had 10 per cent better chance than average, while the poorest had only 11 per cent at greater than the average.

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# BBC 'TRIBUNAL' ON ULSTER Gov't-opposed TV session dull, not dangerous



Eric SILVER'S  
LONDON  
Letter

**CENSORSHIP** has many faces. "Perhaps it is noteworthy," ran the leader in a London paper other day, "that the two parties did their best to sabotage last Wednesday's BBC tribunal on Ulster by the Government, with all sorts of threats about shortens and retransmitters, and the Irish Republican Army, who attempted to blow up the transmitters."

The tribunal was a three-hour programme, ending at midnight, in which eight politicians, representing every faction with a stake in the future of Ireland, were invited to put their case before the television cameras. They were then to be examined by a retired judge, Lord Devlin, who has a high reputation in the courts and as a scholar; an aging Conservative lawyer, Sir John Foster; and Lord Cawston, who negotiated independence for Cyprus and tabled the Security Council's Middle East Resolution 242 when he was British Minister at the U.N. under the Labour Government.

The focus was on the future, as that is possible among the Irish. The programme was not a debating match. Each speaker had to say and withdraw. The assessment was by expert "viewers": a constitutional lawyer, an economist, a historian and a retired and garrulous General Officer Commanding British troops in Northern Ireland. There was a summary, but no verdict.

The declared purpose was to discover how much common ground there was.

Programmes of this kind — of which both the BBC and commercial television have done a handful in the past couple of years on such subjects as the Common Market or industrial relations and the law — are added with compromise.

First and foremost, they are a concession by the television profession to the politicians. Any television producer worth his expense account is sure he could tell people more about Ulster in three hours more entertainingly and more

of hysteria.

They refused to participate. They wrote to the BBC chairman, Lord Hill, who made his name 30 years ago as the lugubrious "Radio Doctor" always prescribing laxatives, and was later a Conservative Minister. They, or their parliamentary supporters, made dire threats to the BBC's independence and purse (threats still echoing).

Reginald Maudling, the British Home Secretary, refused to distinguish between the undeclared war in the streets of Belfast and London and the political debate about Ireland's future. British soldiers and citizens were being shot. That was enough. Brian Faulkner, the Northern Ireland Premier, was equally concerned that two politicians from the Irish Republic should be participating. What business was it of theirs?

The most blatant attempt to sink the programme was the refusal to be represented. Under the BBC's charter, it must maintain "political balance." If neither the Conservative Government of Westminster, nor the Ulster Unionists of Stormont, were heard, then the discussion would plainly be unbalanced. Ergo, there could be no programme.

In fact, the show was saved by two developments: first, one Independent-minded Ulster Unionist M.P., John Maginnis, defied the party line and agreed to appear; and secondly, the BBC re-ran public speeches by Mr. Maudling and Mr. Faulkner as an expression of their views.

So, Her Majesty's Ministers failed to stop the programme. The Irish Republican Army's gaiter failed to stop transmission. Leaving only the most insidious face of censorship: what the Russians call the "inner censor."

The BBC acted with courage and honour. It repudiated the doctrine of its first director-general, Lord Reith, that the work of the Corporation is in the word of the People and so has a privileged access to the microphone. But what it produced was so scrupulous, so daintily balanced, that it was almost self-defeating. Two cheers for democracy.

Good democracy

Eventually the men who run television, if not the men who make the programmes, began to take notice. "Open-ended" discussions like last week's on Ulster were an answer. They might not be "good television," but they were an earnest of good democracy.

They are too — enter another compromise — an alternative to television Parliament, which the House of Commons continues to resist. Even more so, they are an alternative to televising Senate hearings, on the American pattern, which are still three evolutionary eras away from Westminster.

The words of Lord Cawston said at the end of the Ulster programme, is almost invariably "dull, but not dangerous." None the less, the Conservative Governments in London and Belfast were jittery to the point



Eleven members of the Jerusalem Supreme Moslem Council yesterday visited the Western Wall to inspect excavations there, in the wake of claims by Arab states that they were threatening the foundations of the adjacent Al-Aksa Mosque. Accompanied by representatives of the Police Minister's office and the Ministry for Religious Affairs, the visitors are seen here with the Council's President, Sheikh Hilmi al-Mubtasib, who headed the group, in the background (with turban), and the Jerusalem Mufti, Sheikh Sa'ad al-Din al-Ahmedi, far left. Among the distinguished Council members were also historian Aref al-Saad, second from right, and Mr. Anwar al-Khatib, former Governor of the East Jerusalem district, partly seen on the extreme left. (Rubinger photo)

# Millionaire Hughes tells of his grief

LOS ANGELES (Reuter). — Multi-millionaire recluse Howard Hughes said in a rare interview here that his years of living in seclusion had brought him nothing but grief.

He spoke by telephone from his suite at the Britannia Beach Hotel in Nassau to seven reporters who gathered in a hotel room in North Hollywood to interview him.

Hughes called the press conference specifically to claim that the "autobiography" on his life to be published in March by McGraw-Hill and "Life" magazine was a fake. He said it was an example of the kind of thing that happened to him because he led the life of a recluse.

(In New York McGraw-Hill and "Life" issued a statement saying they were convinced the book was genuine and would proceed with publication.)

"Good afternoon, Mr. Hughes," said one of the reporters, opening the telephone news conference. "Good afternoon to you," replied a voice from the telephone.

In the rambling question-and-answer session that followed, the voice coming from an amplifier connected to the telephone convinced the seven newsmen that it was indeed Howard Hughes, one of the richest men in the world, speaking from the Bahamas.

Hughes denied that he ever met or spoke with Clifford Irving, source of the "autobiography." Mr. Irving says Hughes dictated it to him in a series of meetings last year. About Mr. Irving, Hughes said in the interview: "I don't know him. I never saw him. I have never heard of him until a matter of days ago when this thing first came to my attention."

**His health**

Hughes said that contrary to some stories circulated recently, he weighed about 150 pounds, not 94, and had not let his hair, toenails or fingernails grow to unusual length.

On his health, he said: "Well, how the hell is anybody's health at 68?"

Hughes said he was not a happy man. "I'm not too — I'm not very happy, I'll tell you that. One of the primary reasons is because of some of the things we have been discussing here tonight... the impediments upon my freedom and activities imposed by all this litigation and these overhanging threats of various types — the biography and all this. All of these matters are very draining — your question was, am I happy and content: the answer is no."

Asked why he lived the life of a recluse, he said: "I don't really know. I will tell you one thing, I am rapidly planning to come out of it. In other words I am not going to continue being quite as reclusive, as you call it, as I have been because it apparently has attracted so much attention that I have just got to live a somewhat modified life in order not to be an oddity."

"It's a funny thing, it really is, in this world you can't just be neutral or you can't just go about your business and live your life in what seems to you to be a normal way. This just doesn't seem possible. You apparently have to do certain things and follow a certain kind of conduct in order to satisfy people... So, I am getting ready to embark on a programme of convincing the public that these extreme statements (about his physical or mental condition) are absurd."

# ECOLOGY AND FAMILY DRAMA

No Blade of Grass (Paris, Tel Aviv) Because of widespread pollution a virus invades the world. Wheat, corn, grass cease to grow, cattle die, water becomes foetid and the fish are destroyed. Famise spreads everywhere. In London, the government declines reassuring platitudes but panic and violence takes over.

One family headed by the father (Nigel Davenport) determines to try and make their way to the family farm in an isolated part of northern Scotland. Army patrols have thrown barricades across the main roads and the group have to fight their way through, picking up various individuals on the way. Up north the air is still pure and there they have a chance to survive.

Producer-director Cornel Wilde has directed what must be the first ecological film in a very matter-of-fact way, and the very lack of imagination with which the theme is treated makes the horrible possibility seem all the more credible.

# U.S. keeps strength in Asia

HONG KONG (ANS). — It is becoming increasingly clear from the deployment of the U.S. 7th Fleet that the Americans intend to maintain their military strength in Asia despite the withdrawal from Vietnam.

The Fleet, now numbering 95 ships, including three aircraft-carriers and 25 destroyers, will remain in the Pacific in "a high state of readiness," say U.S. spokesmen.

It will take part in more frequent exercises with the navies of Japan, Korea, Taiwan, The Philippines and New Zealand, and will increase its shadowing of Soviet ships.

The Commander of the Fleet, Vice-Admiral William Macke, said in an official statement released in Hong Kong last week that the U.S. disengagement from Vietnam must not be taken as a sign of weakness.



At the Cinema

Brother John (Ophir, Tel Aviv), played by Sidney Poitier, is a Negro who left his native city as a youth and always returns just in time to be at the deathbed of one or another member of his family. When his sister Sarah dies there he is again. But this time a strike is brewing and the mayor and police believe that Brother John must be an agitator, especially since a search of his belongings shows that he is a man of no particular trade or profession, has visited many countries.

He is arrested on charge of vagrancy, sent to jail and disappears mysteriously as he arrives.

Brother John is represented as an enigmatic character, going about the world on a mission nobody understands. He speaks many languages and keeps notebooks full of blank pages. At the same time he is a fine boxer.

I must confess that I could not see the point of the picture. If Brother John is supposed to be some sort of Messiah, it can't be said that his behaviour bears this out. When he is not knocking somebody down, he just stares. But if the film aims to show that the white police treat the blacks with contempt and brutality, it makes its point. Will Geer gives a good performance as an old doctor and Bradford Dillman is good as his son, a hard-faced politician.

**Indian Ocean**

"We are strong and intend to maintain our strength. One of our principal missions now is to let our allies in Asia know that we are still here."

If the activities of the U.S. Enterprise and its task force are any criterion, the Americans are in fact extending their activities into the Indian Ocean, where they seem certain to maintain a permanent naval presence. The Enterprise was reported to be manoeuvring off the southern tip of India last week.

Further west the U.S. is to continue using facilities at Bahrain following the British withdrawal from the Persian Gulf. The aim, said an American spokesman, is "to show the flag" in the Gulf and Red Sea areas.

# Mobutu may take warrior name



KINSHASA (Reuter). — President Joseph-Désiré Mobutu of Zaïre (formerly Congo Kinshasa) has said he may drop his Christian name and call himself Sese-Seko-Kuku Ngbendu-Wa-Bangwa.

The President explained that part of this new name meant "the daring warrior who cannot know defeat because of his endurance," while another part meant "the all-powerful warrior who leaves fire in his wake and goes from conquest to conquest," the Zaïre News Agency reported on Sunday.

# U.S. CALL FOR A SAFER CIGARETTE

WASHINGTON (AP). — Recognizing that Americans continue to smoke despite the higher risk of cancer, heart attacks and lung disease, the U.S. Surgeon-General said yesterday that new efforts must be encouraged to develop safer cigarettes.

A 226-page report submitted to Congress by the U.S. Public Health Service also said that non-smokers in a smoke-filled room might be exposed to carbon monoxide levels exceeding some local air-pollution limits.

"We must continue to encourage cessation as the only certain way to protect both the individual and society from the harmful effects of smoking," Surgeon-General Jesse Starnfeld said. "We must also, however, work toward reducing the dangers of smoking for those who have not quit by developing less hazardous cigarettes and encouraging less hazardous ways of smoking."

The report recommended that primary emphasis in developing a safer cigarette be aimed at reduction of carbon monoxide, nicotine and tar.

Carbon monoxide, a colourless and odourless gas which can be deadly if concentrated, is blamed by researchers for causing carboxy haemoglobin, a blood condition which hampers the transportation of vital oxygen to the body.

Although experiments have shown that other components of cigarette smoke cause pulmonary and heart disease in mice and rabbits, the report said, the effect of these substances on non-smoking humans has still not been determined.

The report cited studies showing that exposure to a specific amount of carbon monoxide from 27 to 90 minutes affected human sight and hearing at least temporarily, and hampered a car driver's ability to respond to light and to judge distance.

# ONE CONCERT — TWO VIEWS



The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, Subsequent Concert No. 5. Conductor: Lukas Foss. Soloists: Bracha Eden and Alexander Zaid (Tel Aviv, Mass Audubon, January 4; Jerusalem, Bayreuth Festival, 1971). Works: Concerto in G Major for Two Flutes and Strings; Foss: "Time Cycle"; Four Songs for Soprano and Orchestra; Tchaikovsky: "Francesca da Rimini"; Fantasy for Orchestra.

THE personality of the composer-conductor, the varied and cleverly arranged programme, and the inclusion of Lukas Foss' own work all gave reason to hope for something unconventional. These expectations were not disappointed.

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# Ghetto to Israel — a poet's link

# America's literary maturation

**JOSEPH** Leftwich, the Anglo-Jewish journalist, lecturer, translator and poet of distinction, will be best remembered for his pioneering work on behalf of Yiddish literature in his splendid translations. He will probably be best remembered for "Yisroel," an extensive anthology of translations of Yiddish short stories with a profound introduction to Yiddish literature, and "The Golden Fesceck," an anthology of Yiddish poetry in translation.

Now he has scored again. The book under review, in which he treats the outstanding Israeli Yiddish poet and editor, Abraham Sutzkever, as reflected in his poetry, is Sutzkever with Rasht's commentary. And Leftwich's translation of the poetic selections is exquisite.

Sutzkever, one of the greatest poets in any language, is difficult to translate. He is a master of the Yiddish language. Indeed, it virtually required a second Sutzkever to translate him.

As I said, Leftwich comments on every single poem, in an effort to help us understand Sutzkever, his life, his experiences as reflected in his poems.

Sutzkever comes from a long line of rabbis, some of whom he remembers and all of whom he reveres. One of them was Rabbi Shabtai Feibishev, his mother's father, who spent his life writing one great work, putting all his knowledge into it. Sutzkever's mother treasured the goose quill pen that her father had used and kept it in a casket of gopherwood. The poet recalls his mother saying to him:

**ABRAHAM SUTZKEVER** by Joseph Leftwich. New York — London, Thomas Yoseloff. 185 pp. \$2.25.

Reviewed by Meyer Edelbaum



ABRAHAM SUTZKEVER

"Your grandfather, my child, for thirty years kept writing a book. May each word that you write strengthen your life, like your grandfather's."

And when my mother to please her young son,  
With one thing or another thing,  
Revealed the secret of the casket,  
It was like the ancient treasure of a King.

As a little boy during World War I, Sutzkever fled with his parents in the face of the invading Germans, and they settled in Omaha, Nebraska. He loved his new home, and the Siberian snow and winter. Later he wrote his Kirghis poems. In one of them, "The Ballad of the Seven Kirghis," he writes:

The wild Kirghis girl breaks  
Eilat  
Has in her eyes a copper gleam.  
She had seven suitors, and when she said she would marry the one who brought her best gift, they went in search of gifts, and  
The moon hung like a red tongue,  
When the seven Kirghis, drunk with pain,  
Came to Breska's hut again.

Six brought gifts (the seventh stood silent. And when Breska Rim asked him what he had brought her, he answered:  
I have brought my spear, and I tell you this  
I shall slay you if you wed another Kirghis.

Sutzkever's poems of the Vilna Ghetto under the Nazis are his best. Once he hid himself from the pursuing Nazis in a coffin, lying there till the danger passed. He wrote:

I lie in a coffin  
As in wooden clothes.  
Or let it be a boat  
On stormy waves.  
Let it be a cradle.

Once he saw "a cart in the street loaded with shoes taken from the dead, being sent for re-use in Germany," and recognized his mother's shoes among them:

The wheels turn, keep turning  
What do they bring for me?  
A cartload of shoes  
Full of agony.  
The cart is like a wedding canopy in the evening glow.  
The shoes, a whole cartload,  
Dancing so.  
Is this a wedding day?  
Do my eyes deceive?  
I know these shoes so well,  
And remembering them, I grieve...  
"With all these children's shoes,  
Why is no child here?  
Why doesn't the bride

Her wedding shoes wear?"  
Under the children's shoes  
My mother's shoes I see.  
She wore these only on Sabbaths  
Where is she?...  
"Kol Nidrei" is the story of a Jew in the Ghetto who survived, and his son whom he slew to save him more torture by the Nazis. The father tells the story of what happened that Kol Nidrei night, when he could no longer bear the suffering of his son:  
And I made up my mind. I said  
"No!"  
I won't let him suffer longer!  
God would not listen to my prayer...  
So I drove the dagger deep  
Into my last son's breast.  
That's what your father can do  
Not let him torture you  
What happened then? The earth  
Did not crush  
The sun did not leap down and  
dash its head on the stones.  
Only death wagons took us  
round like clouds,  
Swallowed us,  
And brought us here,  
Where crosses rose with rust,  
On yellow branches,  
Expecting a rich feast.

Sutzkever, says Leftwich, links the Jewish dead of Europe with the fighting and building in Israel today.

Then suddenly the stars over  
Mount Sinai appear  
Wondered at from earth, just as  
we have done.  
Caught in the light, we see and  
hear.  
And with the planets become one  
Upon the Mount a young man  
makes a stand,  
And passes on his flag to a  
mysterious hand,  
That takes it, takes it up above.  
And amidst the hero who so  
bravely strove  
Whoever saw a Sinai night,  
Should still remember him, his  
name and sight.  
Whoever saw Sinai in glory,  
Can for a thousand years say  
Amen to the story.

**BETWEEN** the Civil War and World War II, which reflected as much as they established the nature of the United States of America, America came literally of age. Its context was struggle, its mode imperial. There was a continent to conquer, physically and imaginatively, before the forms of society could settle into facts sufficiently permanent to influence the literary imagination. Throughout the formative years of early and middle 19th-century America, a society simply didn't exist as something writers had to face. The most romantic of American writers, Edgar Allan Poe, simply ignored society and, for the most part, America. The only "tradition" writers who wished to engage in romantic rebellion against could find was, in fact, the literary tradition of English (rebellious) Romanticism.

One couldn't rebel against real authority; it didn't exist; one could always move westward, a fact which tended to undermine the authority of societies composed of those who did not go west. There was, as Professor Anderson points out in the book under review, no society to repress. Freud, in a sense, was not yet in business. Furthermore, it was a literary dead-end to become authoritarian by rebelling against rebellion since the social and political situations were too fluid to support much anti-democratic success. The success of Prof. Anderson's book is its emphasis on the importance of Ralph Waldo Emerson's way out of this dilemma:

"Transcendentalism, which Emerson described as 'the Saturnalia or excess of Faith' in individual powers and individual sufficiency, simply attempted to supplant society. By comparison, romanticism was a laggard, anachronistically involved in its dialectic of self and society... The satanic and the angelic are also meaningless which denies that our sense of ourselves is based on a reciprocal or dramatic or dialectic awareness of one another."

**THE IMPERIAL SELF: An Essay in American Literary and Cultural History** by Quentin Anderson. New York, Knopf. 274 pp. \$7.95.

Reviewed by Richard Sherwin

This is the key to understanding not only Emerson and Thoreau, but also, as Prof. Anderson argues, Walt Whitman and Henry James. Whitman and Henry James, with their super-ego or what-have-you, the self expands unconsciously, imperially, to fill the gap between man and nature which society normally fills; so much so, that as the self incorporates the world about it, it perceives the world about it as basically and primarily a symbol of some aspect of itself.

I think Prof. Anderson is essentially correct in his interpretations of Emerson, Thoreau, Whitman, and James. For all James' detailed awareness of social forms, I have always felt him to be a peculiar kind of moralist in which evil all too easily is subsumed in the good; for all Whitman's detailed examples of America's geographic, historical, and social variety in "Song of Myself," I have always felt that they never resist his incorporation of them with anything like the resistance of things and facts which possess their own separate and different integrity. In both of them,

no ineluctable core of matter or main apart from the author's best heroic or speaker. At times it is not merely glib, but glibly a lyrical as to be incredible.

Thus, Prof. Anderson's treatment of Nathaniel Hawthorne is important by contrast. He argues that Hawthorne stands out as being a transcendentalist as being the reality of society and our relationships with others as being the formation of ourselves, as even more so to any virtue we hope to acquire or enact. One is not in Hawthorne, swallow another self into one's own; for him unforgivable sin is the failure of achievement of virtue in "The Golden Bowl." I would have liked to see what Prof. Anderson would have done with Herman Melville's "Moby Dick" and "Billy Budd."

Although I agree with Prof. Anderson that Allen Ginsberg descends directly from the Transcendentalism of the Beat poets, I would argue that the Transcendentalism of the Beat poets is qualitatively from that of their literary ancestors. For the Beat, city, industrial society, does or monastically. It has forced its back into their selves, no longer a pedant except in wish, in their attempt to leap over or through society to some indistinct correspondence or compelling to their own theories, but now fragmented, belly-shrunk, starved alive.

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## Literary Calendar

- JERUSALEM**
- Beit Haasaf, Old City (Yeshivat Hakotel Compound).**
- Wed., Jan. 12, 8.30 p.m. — "Jerusalem in Hebrew Literature": Prof. Binyamin Uffenheimer will discuss the biblical and Second Temple sources; Haim Toren will discuss modern texts; and Don Kanner will read extracts.
- Tues., Jan. 18, 8.30 p.m. — A discussion of the works of the Jerusalem poet, Zaida, on her winning the Brenner Prize, and of "Shirat Hab'erot," the latest poetry collection of Aya Tur-Malka (wife of Uri Zvi Greenberg). Participants: Poets Haim Be'er and Arna Golan, and Shalom Kramer, Editor of "Mozmazayim."
- Wed., Jan. 26, 8.30 p.m. — Meeting with and reading and discussion of the works of four French-Canadian poets: André Bellemare, Jacques Godbout, Fernand Ouellette, and Jean-Guy Pilon. Chairman: Aharon Amir, Editor of "Knesset."
- Transport to and from Beit Haasaf by Taxi Israel, 11 Habibadstr. (corner Ben-Yehuda). Parking space.
- HAIFA**
- Haifa University, English Department**
- Tues., Jan. 18, 5 p.m. — The Jerusalem poet, Karen Gershon, will read from her forthcoming book to be published by Victor Gollancz, London.

**Old City yeshiva journal**

The journal publishes the writings of teachers and students of the Yeshivat Hakotel. The yeshiva, affiliated to the Bnei Akiva network, was the first institution to return to the Old City after the Six Day War.

The earlier issues contain articles on:

- receiving and paying interest by Rabbi Nahum Neriya, son of Knesset Member Rabbi Moshe Zvi Neriya, head of the Bnei Akiva yeshiva network;
- "Entering the Temple Mount Area in Our Days," by David Farjan;
- the Tractate Makkot by Rabbi Avigdor Nebenzahl, son of the State Comptroller;
- "The Building of the Third Temple—By Men?"

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# WELCOME OPERATION ISRAEL No. 6

By LOUIS A. PINCUS  
Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive

ON behalf of the Jewish Agency for Israel, I am happy to welcome the United Jewish Appeal's Operation Israel No. 6

This past year has been one of historic significance in terms of solidification of the entire Jewish people around Israel. The struggle of the Soviet Jew, indeed the courage and fortitude of our brothers under oppression in both the Soviet Union and Arab states, has played an enormously important part in helping us to strengthen and define our purposes. The reconstruction of the Jewish Agency and its far-reaching ramifications strengthens the Jews of the free world in terms of responsibility and cooperation far beyond any formal agreement.

We will need to draw heavily on these sources of strength during the coming year, for despite the fact that we have brought more than 150,000 new immigrants to Israel since the Six Day War, the rate is increasing and we must be ready for every opportunity whenever it

arises. Despite the magnificent achievements we have registered in housing and settlement, in education, in health and welfare services, we have much to do. For the task of unceasing vigilance in a no war, no peace atmosphere and the rising costs of the defence burden, make it imperative that we rise to the ever-increasing responsibility of meeting the human needs of the people of Israel. The period has long since passed when the Israeli taxpayer could help meet these costs.

This is a heavy yoke of responsibility, and it is up to you to understand the nature and dimension of these needs in the light of the situation that confronts Israel's people today. It is up to you to interpret these needs to the members of your home communities, and to emphasize your interpretation with your commitment.

That you have accepted this yoke of responsibility bears no small measure of comfort, and underlines your unwaver-



ing devotion to the people of Israel. That you have joined us in our struggle means simply that we shall face it as a united Jewish people.

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BUILDING IN JERUSALEM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post... With reference to Mary Selman's report...

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MARRIAGES OF ALL HALACHIC JEWS WITHIN JURISDICTION OF RABBINICAL COURTS

However, continued Justice Berison, neither article 83 of the Order in Council nor the Declaration of Independence of the State of Israel are supreme laws.

In consequence, as the provision of the Rabbinical Courts Jurisdiction Law, vesting the rabbinical courts with exclusive jurisdiction in matters of marriage and divorce of Jews...

Justice Berison then went on to discuss the appellants' argument that the principles of freedom of faith and conscience militated against imposing religious law and jurisdiction on persons who have no religious beliefs.

On the other hand, however, liberty of conscience was a much wider and more subjective concept, and if the provisions regarding liberty of conscience had been contained in a supreme law...

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CASTRO IN ECUADOR

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post... I have just read the article, 'Castro's six-hour Quito stopover creates an "unofficial turnout"'

It is not clear from the text of the article that there was an invitation to Ecuador so that Prime Minister Fidel Castro should visit this country...

When it became known in Ecuador that the Cuban Prime Minister would make a technical stopover at the airport of Guayaquil after his official visit to Chile...

Mr. Ernesto Valdiviso, Ambassador of Ecuador to Jerusalem, December 31.

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Manchester United hold narrow League lead

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Martin Peters, Tottenham Hotspurs, scores a spectacular goal with an overhead kick against Manchester City on Saturday.

Manchester United crashed to a 1-3 home defeat against Wolverhampton Wanderers on Saturday and now lead the First Division of the English Football League by only one point.

Leeds United and Manchester City both drew to move up to one point behind United, Leeds' unbeaten home record looked in danger for a long time against Ipswich Town...

Manchester City drew 1-1 away to Tottenham Hotspurs, and Derby County strengthened their hold on fourth place by winning 2-1 away to Southampton.

Wolves, now only four points behind United and emerging as dangerous title challengers, capitalised on United's early nervousness and were soon 2-0 ahead with goals by Northern Ireland centre-forward, Derek Dougan, and John Richards.

Dougan was carried off with a leg injury soon after halftime, but Wolves made certain of victory when Jimmy McCalliog netted their third goal from the penalty spot.

Sammy McIlroy scored a late consolation goal for United, who have now seen their five-point lead at the top of the table cut to one in little more than a month.

Leeds missed the chance of overhauling United on goal average when they dropped a point to Ipswich and it was only a late goal by Allan Clarke which earned them their point.

Manchester City also left it late at Tottenham. Martin Peters put Tottenham ahead with a brilliant

New youth group will aid Soviet settlers

By ABRAHAM BARINOVITCH, Jerusalem Post Reporter. A new organization which will seek to meet the spiritual needs of Russian immigrants...

The Olan organization will operate primarily through the 80 Young Israel Synagogues in the country. Russian families will "adopt" immigrant families and invite them for the Sabbath.

The organization, called Olan, is to be financed by a million-dollar fund, much of it raised abroad. Its volunteers will greet plane-loads of Russian immigrants at the airport and seek to maintain the close contact once they are settled in their local communities.

At a press conference this week in Jerusalem, leaders of the Young Israel and Young Synagogues organizations said that the major unmet need of Russian immigrants was neither jobs or housing but spiritual values.

Mr. Nesh Kestenbaum, president of the National Council of Young Israel, said that he hoped to meet with Absorption Ministry officials at Bar-Ilan University, Zaiman

Israel and U.S. ARE IN THE SAME CAMP, SAYS PERES. Jerusalem Post Reporter. HAIFA — Transport Minister Shimon Peres, who was the guest of honour at a dinner to mark the 30th anniversary of the Ampal-American Investment Corporation here on Sunday night...

However, Israel was not a satellite of the U.S. The two countries were together because they had the same aspirations of freedom and faced the same dangers. Israel maintained its right to freedom of action.

The dinner was given at the Dan Carmel.

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ENGLISH SPEAKERS IN PETAH TIKVA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post... As an honorary secretary of Hachadot Olai Britannia in the Petah Tikva area, I would be pleased to hear from any English-speaking people from this area...

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# Increased Gov't role in labour relations predicted at conference

By SHAYA SHAPIRO  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE AVIV Government involvement in labour problems is bound to increase in order to safeguard the worker's income, Labour Minister Yosef Almog declared in the opening address he made yesterday at the International Conference on Trends in Industrial Relations. Some 340 delegates from abroad and over 200 Israelis are taking part in the four-day conference at the Hilton Hotel here.

Mr. Almog said that there was no substitute for collective bargaining. The outlawing of strikes by totalitarian regimes did not bring industrial peace; nor were the effects of partial unemployment salutary in a democracy like the U.S. But wages obtained in collective bargaining did not assure the workers' income, which depended on taxes and the government fiscal policy. "Our experience in this respect contributed greatly towards the Council's coming to the conclusion that the rise in the standard of living of the poor," Mr. Almog said.

Support for Mr. Almog's stand came from his opposite number in Canada, Mr. Bryce MacKasey, who found government participation in collective negotiations helped both employers and the employees to realize the benefits of the wage contracts on the country's ability to export. "Like Israel, Canada depends on exports for its survival," Mr. MacKasey said. Consequently, "the role of the politician in labour relations is growing."

Mr. Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, Secretary-General of the Histadrut, was not impressed. "All labour ministers come from the same stable," he remarked, adding that "all governments are afraid of 'isms'." Mr. Ben-Aharon maintained that "political and social conflicts were accepted by democracy as legal, and should not create despair."

Eighty per cent of Israelis were workers, and "we have never had a capitalist government" — nevertheless, political democracy has not created a social democracy, and the personal income of a worker hardly increases after he wages successful negotiations with the employers. The guiding line for all Israelis, however, was the need to "build a nation."

Mr. Mark Mossavich, President of the Manufacturers Association, said that, "in modern society there is no room for class struggle ideology. On the contrary, the real interest of employers and employees are closely linked. Both can only gain by mutual understanding and cooperation." Admitting Government involvement was inevitable, "a measure of independence is essential for the proper function of industrial relations."

The conference then split into study groups, which will discuss 24 subjects in separate sessions today and tomorrow. The final open plenary meeting will be held on Thursday morning, after which the participants will go to Jerusalem where the Labour Minister will be their host at a dinner in the Knesset.



MR. MACKASEY

The proper function of industrial relations. The conference, he suggested, should discuss what the necessary limit of such independence must be.

The first public session of the conference was also addressed by Mr. William J. Usery, the American Assistant Secretary of Labour, Mr. Joseph Stiglitz, President of the German Federal Institute of Labour, and Sir Dennis Barnes, Permanent Secretary of the Department of Employment of Britain.

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## Poet cleared of arson suspicion

TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv police have acceded to the demand of David Avidan, the poet, to publish a notice clearing him of any connection with the fire which gutted the offices of the "Ha'olam Haze" weekly in Tel Aviv last November. They also agreed to destroy the fingerprints they took of him.

Mr. Avidan was among a number of suspects questioned after the fire. He underwent lie detector tests and was fingerprinted. (Hem)

## Jail for driving without licence

TEL AVIV. — "This man is a menace to the public," Magistrate Boris Rapoport said yesterday in imposing a sentence of two years in jail on, and suspending the driving licence of, a young man convicted of driving a vehicle without the owner's permission. Rahamim Jirof, 21, of Beit Dagon, was found guilty of driving without a licence or insurance coverage, using a car without the owner's permission and stealing parts off it — all this, while his licence was already suspended for five years on an earlier conviction. The additional licence suspension will become effective after Jirof has served his sentence. (Hem)

## Second Volcani suspect held

TEL AVIV. — Another Volcani Agricultural Research Institute scientist has been arrested on suspicion of being involved in a bribery case in which institute scientists were allegedly paid to submit a favourable report on cheese products. The manager of the Kfir Dairy in Bnei Brak has also been arrested on suspicion of complicity in the affair.

News of the case was revealed on Sunday with the arrest of the Director of the Dairy Science Department at Volcani, Dr. Eitan Lahav, on suspicion of receiving a \$2,500 bribe. Yesterday, the local Magistrates Court freed Lahav's assistant, Friedrich Bayer, on bail. He is suspected of accepting a \$3,000 bribe. The manager of the Kfir Dairy, Zvi Frankental, who according to the police, paid the bribes to the Volcani scientists, was remanded in custody for five days. (Hem)

## 50 U.S. firms to exhibit in Tel Aviv

TEL AVIV. — More than 50 American companies will be participating in an exhibition of electronics machinery and test equipment to be held at the Tel Aviv Fairgrounds in two months' time.

The American Commercial attaché, Mr. John P. Wentworth, explained last week that the decision to hold an independent exhibition was made because this year's annual Tel Aviv trade fair would be devoted exclusively to consumer products. Israel's exports of electronics grew to \$21m. in 1970 and are forecast at \$125m. for 1975, when capital investments in electronics are expected to reach \$70m. per year, compared with a \$2m. yearly average between 1961-1968.

## Stormy day at Netivei Neft inquiry

### Sela says 'security' misused

By HIRSH GOODMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Justice Alfred Witkon, Chairman of the Commission of Inquiry probing into the Netivei Neft affair, warned yesterday that if the proceedings drag on for much longer, there is a danger that the inquiry will "lose all public value."

The Commission, now in its seventh week, reconvened yesterday after a 10-day recess.

Dr. Witkon said that he hoped to finish hearing testimony no later than the end of this month, and that it would be possible to hand down the Commission's conclusions by early March.

Yesterday afternoon was taken up with a closed session during which the three Commission members, together with the 16 lawyers representing various parties at the hearing, discussed ways and means of cutting down on the time being spent trying to ascertain what went on at the Government-owned oil fields at Abu Rodeia. Thus far 21 witnesses have been heard.

There are 16 others still waiting to give evidence. Some of them, such as Mr. Mordcheai Friedman, Netivei Neft's general manager, are expected to be on the stand several days.

NOT CONVINCING

Yesterday saw the end of Mr. Salomon Sela's testimony. Efforts by Mr. Friedman's lawyer, Mr. Nephthal Lipshutz, to establish that the former field foreman was something of a megalomaniac were not — it seems — found convincing by the members of the Commission, who have listened to Mr. Sela for three days.

Mr. Sela's testimony continued to be damaging to Mr. Friedman, and Mr. Lipshutz tried to prove that Mr. Friedman had maintained almost complete control over the fields not because he wanted power, but because Mr. Sela was incompetent. This was not the general impression in the court, however.

Mr. Sela's claim of "exaggerated secrecy" at the fields was questioned by all three members of the Commission, who said they were not sure Mr. Sela was in a position

to decide what was to be kept secret and what was not.

Earlier Mr. Sela had claimed that Mr. Friedman had used the cover of secrecy for his own benefit. Mr. Lipshutz said "horrid" that Mr. Sela could have suggested seriously that the Ministry of Defence was in collusion with Friedman, since it was the Ministry of Defence (and of Justice, as pointed out by Dr. Witkon) who decided on what could be published.

At this stage Mr. Meir Zorea, a former army commander, caused some of the uproar when he said: "The Defence establishment in Israel is in the habit of censoring things which should not be withheld from the public... why even my own telephone number was kept a secret from my wife and I thought this was nonsense." Noting the reaction in the generally empty court, he qualified his statement, however, and added that he did not agree with Mr. Sela's claim that there was no need at all for secrecy at Netivei Neft.

MORE DOCUMENTS

Mr. Lipshutz started off the day by adding several more dozen documents to the store of several hundred which the Commission already has to study. Page upon page of stock sheets were presented to counter Mr. Sela's claim that no detailed stock-taking was ever undertaken at the firm. On closer examination, however, it was pointed out that the stock sheets presented were not of oil equipment — which is an issue at stake — but of general stores.

A lively argument broke out between Justice Witkon, Mr. Ya'acov Salomon (Mr. Lipshutz's partner) and Mr. Ram Caspi, appointed counsel for Mr. David Neev, after a series of incidents which, according to Mr. Salomon, "made my blood boil."

It started off when Mr. Sela, after being told that he could step down, informed the Commission that Mr. Caspi had instructed him to report that the two threats had been made on his life last Saturday. Sela said he was warned that if he continued to give evidence he would be killed. Mr. Salomon was on his feet

# OPTIMISM ABOUT AUTOCARS Knesset committee visits plants

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The new Autocars manager, Avner Peretz, told the Knesset's Economic Committee yesterday that he was optimistic about the future of the two plants in Haifa. They could become profitable provided Israel's vehicle industry is standardized and the Government adopts a clear-cut long-term policy on vehicle assembly for at least five years.

After six weeks of running the plants, following his appointment by the receivers, he had found the plants not to have suffered from industrial troubles. Their failure had been caused by the mismanagement of the previous owners. "The lack of communication between management and labour was shocking," he said.

Nine of the committee's 19 members visited the plants yesterday for an on-the-spot investigation of their operation as part of its discussion of Autocars.

After seeing the Tira plant at work (it has resumed full production), the committee members posed questions to Mr. Peretz. He told them that the Tira plant, which now employs 543 workers (815 previously), was not suitable for any other type of production. But the Tira plant did not have a future in car assembling and would have to concentrate on other metal work for which its much more sophisticated equipment was suitable, while carrying on with the marginal assembly of the jeeps the army would take.

## CAN MAKE PROFIT

He said that the Tira plant, now producing 300 vehicles a month, could turn a monthly profit of IL100,000. This excluded depreciation allowances which "realistically calculated" should not exceed IL15,000 monthly, as the real investment in the plant totalled more than a some IL5m, and the equipment was a very expensive.

The solution came through a radical change of the work process and planning which had been "very poor." He believed that the government should decide that only passenger cars of up to 1,600 c.c. should be assembled in Israel, alongside trucks and vans, and that standardization of parts was a must to make local spare part production profitable.

He also strongly urged the freeing of the plant from its exclusive supply contract with the British Leyland company. The present contract made it unprofitable to replace imported parts by local production. For instance, a rear axle, which Leyland priced at £78 was credited with only £38 if Autocars did not buy it as part of the purchase and made it here. Local production cost IL490.

This information shook the committee members until Mr. Peretz reassured them that it was standard practice with the supply of C.K.D. (Completely Knocked Down parts) all over the world.

## 4 MONTHS A YEAR

He told them that the Tira plant would be busy only four months a year on the army's jeeps and he announced that he was already negotiating with the army to produce metal beds and crates worth IL1.5m. a year there, and with the Foreign Ministry for the manufacture of 12,000 horse carts for an African country. He made it clear that the Tira workers would have either to agree to change production or face closure.

He stressed that if the Government would decide on a small foreign car as the future car for Israel, the Tira plant with its relatively low investment-production ratio, could sell 7,000 to 10,000 a year and become quite profitable.

The receiver, Henrik Margolin, told the Committee that the workers had "from the first minute" cooperated with the receivers and the new manager and the efforts made to revive the plant were now starting to bear fruit. The Tira plant was again working fully and Tira would do so within a week. Both had spare parts for half a year's work. There were also plenty of orders for fiberglass vehicles. However it was still too early to say whether the effort would be successful.

though he hoped a buyer would be found for the plants.

Labour Council representative Yisrael Aharonovitch charged the Shubinsky management with inefficiency, waste, toleration of visible unemployment, receiving false production reports, and "rejecting every effort by the workers to cooperate in putting the plant in order."

# Shubinsky in Arad, not abroad

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Yitzhak Shubinsky, former managing director of Autocars, who according to a "Davar" report had slipped out of the country last week-end, is in fact "resting" in Arad, this reporter learned yesterday.

According to the report, picked up by the evening papers, Mr. Shubinsky, who had been refused the return of his passport by the police, had somehow left by air for Britain to attend the wedding of his son, which was due to have taken place in Manchester on Sunday.

The evening papers had given big play to his reported "disappearance" with speculation about his possible possession of another, perhaps non-Israeli, passport — though the police at Lod were "sure" that he had not left from there.

This reporter learned last night that Mr. Shubinsky had been depressed by the publicity surrounding the collapse of his car assembly firm, the allegations of fraud and grossly hostile press and Knesset comment and his inability to attend his son's wedding.

He apparently decided to withdraw to "a quiet place" far from his Haifa home. He found it at Arad. His wife and other close relatives had left for Manchester last week.

## Army blocks buses to Gaza without netting

By H. BEN-ADI  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

GAZA. — In contravention of standing orders by the security forces, Egged has for the last two weeks used buses without protective window netting on the regular BeerSheva-Gaza route.

Yesterday the army put its foot down. Guards at the Nahal Os checkpoint refused to let buses without the netting enter the Gaza Strip. Passengers, mostly military and police personnel, had to make their own way into Gaza — a three-kilometre hike.

Egged says it used unprotected buses because all the vehicles provided with the netting are used to transport workers from Gaza into Israel.

## Foreign Exchange

Yesterday rates quoted in London	
Dollar	2.5504 per £
DM	3.2613 per £
Swiss Fr.	3.9212 per £
Yen	312.50 per £
£ fine gold per ounce	\$45.75/95
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DOLLAR	3 3/4% p.a.
DM	3 1/2% p.a.
YEN	1 1/2% p.a.
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DOLLAR	4 1/2% p.a.
DM	3 3/4% p.a.
YEN	1 3/4% p.a.
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## WALL STREET

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## MARKET SLIGHTLY LOWER

After being off sharply earlier, the market closed off a few points. Trading was moderate.

The decline is attributed to limited profit-taking, a downward readjustment is seen as normal, following prolonged and sharp gains.

Silver mining issues were firm. "Baron's Magazine" says that with the price of metal bottoming out, prospects are brightening for depressed silver mines. A number of depressed groups have found popularity recently as investors began looking for potential growth issues.

Number of shares traded amounted to 15,310,000, as advancing issues led declining issues 811 to 668. The D.J.I.A. was down 2.41 points and closed at 907.98.

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Advertisement for Kagan ahead by a point. Includes text: "Kagan ahead by a point", "By ELIAHU SHAMAF", "Jerusalem Post Chess Correspondent", "TEL AVIV. — Main game of the 14th round of the Israel Chess Championship between title holder Shimon Kagan and his deputy, Uzi Keller, ended in an agreed draw during the adjournment session on Monday morning. Meir Rom's defeat at the hands of Shmuel Gross gave Kagan an edge of a full point over his nearest rival.", "Emanuel Gudi finally put a halt to his series of losses by winning his finest game of the 14th round from former national junior champion Arieh Lev. Another fine performance was given by Avital Buch who beat Efraim Carmel. These three games were drawn, namely, Friedman v. Biedman, Mart v. Kaldor and Morvitz v. Stepszak. The Bar-Nir-Agur game was postponed.", "Standings after the 14th round were: Kagan 7 1/2, Rom, Mart and Friedman 6 1/2 each, Biedman and Keller 6 (1), Kaldor 5 1/2 (1), Bar-Nir (1), Gross 4, Agur 3 1/2 (3), Carmel (1).", "Irene Cohn assumed the lead in the women's championship following an unexpected defeat of leader Laila at the hands of Miriam Brinker at the sixth round. Cohn, who successfully participated in the Netanya chess-Kat festival (all-men's events) as well as international tournaments and is presently residing in Frankfurt, beat Esther Amosim (runner-up of the 1955 national women's championship) in fine game.", "DUTY FREE Nikon Cameras & Lenses", "HADAR", "FOR FAMOUS CAMERAS & PROJECTORS ASK FOR", "LEICA M4", "LEICA FLEX", "Rolleiflex", "TAX FREE", "For Diplomats, Tourists and New Immigrants", "A. BERNER & SONS LTD."

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# BENVENISTI FOR DEPUTY MAYOR Gahal may quit Jerusalem coalition

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Eight months after the leak of the "Benvenisti Document" halted the appointment of Meiron Benvenisti as a deputy mayor, the executive of the Alignment faction in the capital decided yesterday to push the appointment through within a month — even at the risk of a split in the municipal coalition.

The Alignment, which enjoys a majority of one on the 31-man Municipal Council, had been dissuaded from seeking Mr. Benvenisti's appointment last April in the face of a Gahal threat to leave the coalition which Mayor Teddy Kollek had formed upon coming into office in 1965. At yesterday's meeting, Mr. Kollek and other Alignment leaders expressed their determination to name the controversial councillor as deputy mayor in charge of planning this time regardless of Gahal's reaction.

"I'd be very sorry if Gahal leaves," Mr. Kollek was reported as saying. "But the Alignment won a majority in the elections and we have a responsibility for the good administration of this city." The mayor said the appointment was necessary for the city's planning efforts. Only a deputy mayor has the legal powers to handle the job properly, he said.

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Mr. Benvenisti's appointment was about to be presented to the Municipal Council for approval last April when a newspaper published the "Benvenisti Document," a distorted version of a memo sent by him to the Foreign Ministry in 1968 at the Ministry's request. Mr. Benvenisti outlined a contingency plan, one of a number being considered, envisaging the creation of a Greater Jerusalem Council composed of five boroughs with extensive Jewish and Arab areas.

The appointment of Mr. Benvenisti is considered to be an important factor in the Municipality's efforts to provide itself with a strong planning arm to serve as a counterweight to government bodies which

have until now exercised a dominant role in the city's development. He had been instrumental in organizing the city's new urban planning unit but in the past few months he has stayed in the background, as far as planning is concerned. He remained largely uninvolved, for instance, in the dispute over the Omariya plot.

The Alignment's strong stand towards Gahal is believed to be connected with the majority party's current negotiations with the N.R.P. faction aimed at the latter's joining the coalition. The N.R.P. leaders are reported to have indicated that once they join the coalition they would not pull out of it because of the appointment of Mr. Benvenisti. The Alignment last April expressed its willingness to permit coalition partners — which includes Agudat Yisrael and Poalei Agudat Yisrael — to vote against the appointment while remaining within the coalition. Gahal, which has seven seats on the council, is the only coalition partner seen likely to pull out over the issue.

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Youngsters engaged in heated argument at the first Jewish-Arab Youth Parliament in Israel, which opened yesterday at Bak'a el Gharbiya. Reapprochement between Arab and Jewish youth and joint club and spare-time activities were among the subjects discussed. Speaker Gil Shar announced that a Parliament for youngsters from Judea and Samaria is planned to take place in Bethlehem next month. (Starphoto)

# Sephardi leaders say social unrest reduces immigration

Jerusalem Post Staff

"The social unrest within Israel society and the phenomenon of the Black Panthers are factors in reducing immigration from Sephardi communities in the Diaspora." This was stated by representatives of the World Federation of Sephardi Communities, D. Siton and M. Elyasim, at a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday. The conference was also attended by Mr. S. Zeruza, vice-president of the Federation and a recent immigrant here, who was formerly Minister of Commerce in Gibraltar.

The speakers called for the government to produce a presidential plan for the abolition of poverty in Israel. They warned that a Jewish country cannot exist with 30 per cent of its population living on the poverty borderline. Since most of the poor belong to the Sephardi community, the economic problem becomes an inter-communal one, they said.

At the forthcoming Zionist Congress the Federation plans to demand the establishment of a special Jewish Agency section to deal with the social and educational problems of Sephardi communities abroad.

Georgian immigrants after one of them, a youth, ripped off his shirt in protest. The immigrants were stopped just before they reached the office of Absorption Minister Natan Peled.

Ministry officials say the families had been offered accommodation at a number of localities including Beerseba, Dimona, Arad, Or Akiva, Gedera and Yeroham. An offer was made to provide them with still unfinished apartments in areas where other Georgians are concentrated, such as Nahariya. But the three families, numbering 12 souls, reportedly rejected all offers, insisting on "the centre of the country."

Meanwhile, the two remaining families out of 18 who had earlier staged a sit-down strike at Lod Airport, were last night removed by the police. Only a mother with her two children remained in front of the Absorption Ministry offices in the passenger hall. Police let her be, because her husband is imprisoned in Russia — not on account of his desire to emigrate, but because of economic offences. The police exercised great restraint in handling the immigrants.

stated, "We are greatly disturbed by the widespread reputation of the statement that the absorption of Western immigrants is being accomplished at the expense of veteran settlers and sabras."

The first step in the campaign is an open forum to be held on Thursday at 8.30 p.m. at the Z.O.A. House here, entitled: "Olim are alive and well and living in Israel."

## BECAME OLIM

Nearly 6,000 persons changed their status from tourist to immigrant or temporary resident during 1971. Tourism Minister Moshe Kol told the delegates to the Second World Conference of National Synagogue Organizations and Kehillot, meeting at Hechal Shlomo in Jerusalem last night.

Mr. Kol also said that about 20 per cent of Jewish tourists declare that the main purpose of their visit is to explore the possibility of aliyah.

The Minister said that for the influx of tourists during the 25th Anniversary Celebrations of the State in 1973, his Ministry is making plans to have an additional 20,000 beds available in new hotels, youth hostels and private homes. Mr. Emanuel Gross, a delegate from the U.S., spoke against the proposed tightening in the privileges granted to immigrants. He pointed out that last year immigrants from the West brought about \$90m. into the country.

## Increased grants

Grants to families absorbing an immigrant relative will be raised by the Absorption Ministry from IL15,000 to IL20,000. Families which absorb an entire family of immigrants will receive IL18,000 instead of IL8,000.

## RUSSIAN DAILY

TEL AVIV. — The ex-Mapal publishing house is to bring out a daily newspaper in Russian. It was learned last night that a publishing house intends converting the three-weekly "Nasha Strana" (Our Land) into a daily. It was brought out as a weekly three years ago, and joins the stable of five foreign-language newspapers printed at the Mapal printing press. They contain a common Hebrew-language daily newsletter in every copy.

It is understood that the decision to convert "Nasha Strana" into a daily was the result of the appearance of a Russian-language weekly by the publisher of the Bulgarian language weekly "Tribuna" of the same name. The "Tribuna" staff include a group of young Gahal supporters, and this fact concerned the ex-Mapal publishers. From the business point of view, "Nasha Strana" already had 6,000 regular subscribers, and the publishers felt that they had a viable economic basis for the expansion.

## Absorption month

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut will announce an "absorption month" shortly to impress on its members the need and the means to help newcomers find their way in the new country, the Histadrut Central Committee has decided.

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# Social welfare needs better understood

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The attitudes of Israelis to social welfare have undergone a change in the past year, Social Welfare Minister Michael Hazani told the Knesset yesterday.

In the course of his annual review (which this year precedes the tabling of the draft budget) Mr. Hazani quoted an Israel Gallup Poll showing that most people (71 per cent of those questioned) believed that social welfare needs should come straight after security needs in the national budget's list of priorities.

Per capita welfare aid in the 1972/73 budgetary year would come to IL40 monthly, on the average, as compared with IL36 in the year about to end, he said. The current budget featured IL160m. for welfare, but IL180m. would have been spent by the end of March 1972. Mr. Hazani predicted, since services were expanded halfway through the year, and price increases also had an effect.

The Ministry's development budget also increased during the year, with the decision to build more institutions for the retarded, and more day-care homes in collaboration with women's organizations. The day-care homes were the Ministry's first venture into the pre-school-age group, with the deliberate intention of combating the social gap at the most effective age.

If the services provided by the Ministry could be described as increasing in arithmetical progression, the expectations of the welfare recipients increased in geometrical progression, Mr. Hazani said. That explained why social ferment was so great, precisely at a time when the situation of many welfare recipients had improved so markedly.

He believed that a re-appraisal was due of the distribution of the financial burden of welfare as between the Ministry and the local authorities. At the same time, re-definition was due of the services which social welfare bureaux should be obliged to provide.

Mr. Hazani also made the following points, among others:  
• This year, for the first time, 22,500 high school pupils whose families are on the poverty line got a students' grant of IL200;  
• The number of social workers attached to schools was increased from 240 to 360;  
• Of a total of 6,000 families

lacking home utensils, 2,575 large families have already been provided for;  
• Even though the share of the Ministry in municipal welfare budgets went up from 56 per cent in 1969 to 66 per cent in 1971, most municipalities still cannot bear their share;

• The first citizens' advice bureau attached to a municipal welfare bureau has been functioning successfully in Beit Shמש for the past year. Its experience shows that the ordinary citizen needs to be informed by the authorities as to the services to which he is entitled, since he is often ignorant of his due.

In the debate, most speakers took the line followed by Mrs. Zena Harman (Alignment-Labour), who complained that social welfare staffs were usually encumbered by administrative work, and had no time left for genuine welfare care. Trained social welfare workers ought not to be tied down with assessments and payments, when there was a grave need for them to handle the welfare public's human problems as individuals or as families, she said.

After Mr. Avraham Katz (Gahal) said that three out of every five prostitutes in Jerusalem were under the age of 17, Mrs. Shoshana Arbeli (Alignment-Labour) repeated her proposal of last year that prostitution be put under police and health supervision. That was preferable to the present situation, she said. But no prostitute under 17 should be allowed to ply her trade.

Mrs. Arbeli also urged that pimps be given a minimum five year's prison term. At present the law prescribed a maximum term for pimps, but no minimum.

## Bereaved father returns IL15,000 after 7 years

HAIFA. — A villager of Kafz Bu'ana, near here, has returned a IL15,000 *sukka* payment he had received seven years ago. The money had been paid by two teachers to Ahmed Issa Mussa, after the car in which they had been travelling had knocked down and killed his two sons, aged three and four.

## Deer from Poland here

LOD. — A roe-deer buck and two hands arrived by air from Poland yesterday. The deer were ordered by the Jerusalem Biblical Zoo to fill the gap caused 10 years ago by the death of its only specimen.

The deer are extremely delicate and appealing, and when they shyly pushed their heads out of the narrow cage in the plane, their fellow travellers could not resist stroking them. They will be brought to Jerusalem and quarantined before display.

A CAESAREAN delivery was filmed in colour television at Tel Hashomer Hospital yesterday, in a test of the system. The patient, who had agreed beforehand to the filming, was delivered of a healthy girl.

## Georgians protest

Three immigrant families from Georgia staged a stormy protest in the offices of the Ministry of Absorption in Jerusalem yesterday to demand housing in the centre of the country.

Ministry officials in Jerusalem summoned police to evict the

## Information drive

TEL AVIV. — The local branch of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel (AACI) is launching an information campaign to "clear up misunderstandings and resentments about immigrant absorption." In a press release, it

# IL150,000 a day in congestion surcharges

Jerusalem Post Staff

HAIFA. — The congestion surcharge in Haifa and Ashdod harbours, amounting to an estimated IL150,000 a day, went into effect at 1 a.m. yesterday. The shipping conferences imposed the 10 per cent surcharge, after giving three weeks' notice. The Zim company has imposed a 15 per cent charge on the Mediterranean lines.

The committee appointed by Transport Minister Shimon Peres last Thursday to check the congestion situation and recommend measures to alleviate it, is due to report back today. Mr. Peres told

The Post that he would take "vigorous action" on its recommendations. This will probably include the imposition of a surcharge on all non-united cargoes arriving during the winter high season. The additional charge would discourage importers from bringing in these harder-to-handle cargoes during the citrus report season, when the ports are under great pressure.

Mr. Peres said that he had ordered Zim to consult with his Ministry whenever a shipping conference plans to impose a congestion surcharge. He took the stand that Zim has a duty to consider the country's interests as well as those of the conferences of which it is a member. The Post learned that Zim had in fact kept the Ministry informed of the impending surcharge when the congestion first developed a month ago.

## Fewer ships wait

In Ashdod, meanwhile, the Ports Authority spokesman told The Post last night that the good weather has brought about a drop in the number of ships waiting to be loaded or unloaded here and in Haifa. Only 19 ships with general cargo, and three with bagged cargo, such as cement, sugar and flour, which take much longer to unload, are waiting in both ports. This compares with 35 ships ten days ago.

The spokesman said that if the fine weather continues till the end of the month the congestion will be reduced to manageable proportions. Concerning citrus export shipments, he said that up to now 13.7 million crates have been shipped during the current season, compared to 11m. last year at this time. These figures include 100,000 crates shipped to the Far East through Ellat.

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# 'No eulogies' in Mrs. Meir's sealed letter

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Premier Golda Meir has intrigued her fellow Labour Party leaders by telling them of a sealed letter she has left for safe-keeping until after her decease in a special safe kept in the Labour Party head offices in Rehov Hayarkon here.

It is learned that the Prime Minister made this disclosure during the recent session of the Labour Party Leadership Bureau which discussed the party weekly "Oz." She took exception to a laudatory article about her which appeared in a recent issue, and declared that "I detest praise of this kind."

She then told her colleagues that she has deposited a letter in a wall safe at party head offices with written instructions: to be opened "only after my demise." She told her startled and mystified audience: "I will not reveal all the contents of the letter inside that sealed envelope, but one thing I can tell you is written there: no eulogies." She declined to elaborate.

# Must proceed by stages, Eban says

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Foreign Minister Abba Eban said yesterday that it "was more realistic to proceed by stages" in the search for a Middle East settlement than to try to settle the dispute all at once. He was briefing a delegation of the British Labour Friends of Israel now visiting Israel.

Mr. Eban said that the Jarring talks aimed at an overall settlement had been paralysed since February because of Egypt's refusal to negotiate on the issues of Israeli withdrawal and borders.

# Wants patrols near schools

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The head of the opposition Gahal faction in the City Council, Mr. Menahem Savidov, has suggested that a volunteer civil guard be set up to patrol the vicinity of schools and youth clubs to prevent trouble from breaking up social activity there. Such a guard is at present being formed in Ramat Gan at the initiative of Mayor Yisrael Peled.

Mr. Savidov made his suggestion following an increasing number of incidents in which gatherings in after-school hours were disrupted by young hoodlums, mostly from southern Tel Aviv.

In a recent letter to the mayor he contended that the issue was serious enough to be raised in the various municipal committees as well as in the City Council. He criticized the mayor's plan to set up an "special committee" to study the situation, saying that the violation of law and order should be met with force.

# T.A. Councillor raps high-rise apartments

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The leader of the Gahal municipal opposition faction, Mr. Menahem Savidov, has complained to Transport Minister Shimon Peres about the city's approval of a plan to erect two high-rise apartment buildings on the busy junction of Rehov Ahrasoff and Derech Petah Tikva.

The two buildings, one of 10 stores and the other seven, will together have 80 apartments. Mr. Savidov, who raised the sole opposing vote at the town planning commission meeting which ratified the plan, feels that the housing of 80 new families at the already overcrowded site goes against all logic as well as against the city master plan. He said the new housing will aggravate traffic and parking problems in the area.

**RITMEES**  
THE WEATHER  
Forecast: Partly cloudy with sun and high clouds.  
Weather synopsis: Red Sea trough over Mediterranean causes an easterly flow over our area.  
Yesterday's temperature: Jerusalem 52, Haifa 58, Beerseba 48, Ashdod 52, Tel Aviv 54, Rehovot 47, Gaza 48, Beerseba 48, Tiran 34.  
ARRIVALS  
Mrs. Ben Bellora, Mr. Jimmy Givon, Mrs. Frieda Epstein, Mrs. G. Givon, Mrs. Jack Horvitz of Long Island, Mrs. Lita Horvitz, Mrs. M. Horvitz.  
Patricia E. Lane, editor of "Journal of Learning Disabilities" from Chicago (by M. AI).  
Dr. Joseph S. Murphy, President Queens College, New York, and Ernest Schwartz, Associate Dean of New York University, for a two-week visit to Bar-Ilan University.  
Hadasah committee chairman, Lola Kramarsky, Mrs. Lawrence Kramarsky, Mrs. Gladys Zales, from New York for Etzionim consultations, and attend the World Zionist Congress, New York.  
Mr. Mendel N. Fisher, Social Consultant, J.N.P. of America, and Dr. Isaac Rubenstein, M.D., President of Dr. L.M. Biderman, Director, Educational Department.  
Mr. Arye I. Dolin, Jewish Agency Treasurer from London (by M. AI).  
Mr. Paul Zuckerman, General Manager of the United Jewish Appeal, Vice-Chairman Irvin Bernstein, New York.  
Joel Ong, editor of "Focus" to participate in the Zionist Congress and Jewish Journalists Association meet in Jerusalem.

**'N.R.P. Minister should resign'**  
NEW YORK (INA). — A call for the resignation of the three National Religious Party members of the Israel Government was issued here on Sunday by a meeting of 2,000 Orthodox Jews organized by the Union of Orthodox Rabbis.  
The meeting, held at the Midresh Hagadol, the Lower East Side's most historic synagogue, protested against the Israel Government's handling of the "Who's a Jew" issue, which was attended by heads of yeshivot, leaders of the Agudat Israel and Mizrahi, students and leaders of the Lubavicher movement.  
The proclamation issued by the rally said that Ministers Zev Warhaftig, Michael Hazani and Josef Burg should quit because they misrepresent the policies and feelings of Israel's religious population.  
"We no longer intend to remain silent," Rabbi Simcha Elberg of the Union, told the overflow audience. The "Who's a Jew" issue affects not only Israelis but 14 million Jews all over the world, he said.

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